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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, John Conroy			, swear (or affirm) that	, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accord	npanying financial statemen	t and supporting sch	edules pertaining to the	firm of
Benson York Group	, Inc.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		, as
of December 31		, are true and c	orrect. I further swear	(or affirm) that
neither the company nor any partn	er, proprietor, principal offi	cer or director has as	ny proprietary interest in	any account
classified solely as that of a custom	er, except as follows:			\ .
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(m) A copy of the SIPC Supple				
(n) A report describing any mat	erial inadequacies found to e	xist or found to have	existed since the date of t	he previous audit.

^{**}For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Independent Auditors' Report

Statement of Financial Condition as of December 31, 2004

Statement of Income for the year ended December 31, 2004

Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for the year ended December 31, 2004

Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors for the year ended December 31, 2004

Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended December 31, 2004

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Schedules:

Computation of Net Capital

Computation of Basic Net Capital Requirement

Reconciliation of Net Capital to Submitted Unaudited Net Capital

Computation of Aggregate Indebtedness

Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Auditors' Report on Internal Control

Louis Sternbach & Company, LLP

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors Benson York Group, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Benson York Group, Inc. as of December 31, 2004, and the related statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity, changes in liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors, and cash flows for the year then ended that you are filing pursuant to rule 17a-5 under the Securities Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Benson York Group, Inc. as of December 31, 2004, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purposes of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedule I is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by rule 17A-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Jours Steinboch & 6 UP
Certified Public Accountants

February 18, 2005 New York, New York

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

ASSETS

Cash in bank and on hand	\$ 165,370
Due from broker	819,524
Deposit with clearing organization	52,162
Equipment, at cost less accumulated depreciation of \$2,894	15,675
Other assets	3,000
	<u>\$1,055,731</u>
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	

Accounts payable, accrued expenses and taxes	\$ 524,933
Loans payable	7,000
	531,933

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Common stock

Authorized 10,000,000 shares, \$.01 par value
Issued and outstanding 4,325,600 shares

Capital in excess of par value 2,121,906

Retained earnings (deficit) (<u>971,863</u>)

1,193,299

\$ 43,256

Less: Treasury stock 278,900 shares 669,501

Total Shareholders' Equity

\$1,055,731

523,798

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

STATEMENT OF INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

INCOME	•	
Commission income		\$4,999,386
Interest income	•	53
Miscellaneous income		129,892
Total Income		5,129,331
EXPENSES		
Employee compensation and benefits	\$4,077,105	
Floor brokerage, exchange and clearance fees	255,966	
Communications and data processing	35,866	
Interest	44	
Occupancy	96,503	
Other expenses	234,144	
		4,699,628
NET INCOME BEFORE TAXES		429,703
STATE AND CITY TAXES		884
NET INCOME		\$ 428,819

STATEMENT OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2004	^	\$109,979
Add: Net Income		<u>428,819</u> 538,798
Less: Repurchase of common stock		15,000
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2004	•	\$523,798

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Net income	\$428,819
Depreciation and amortization	1,320
Net decrease in operating assets and liabilities, detailed below	
(Increase) decrease - prepaid expenses	1,997
(Increase) decrease - receivable from brokers and dealers	(526,923)
(Increase) decrease - deposit with clearing organization	(42)
Increase (decrease) - accounts payable, accrued expenses and taxes	170,674
Increase (decrease) - loans payable	(8,500)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	67,345
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Purchase of fixed assets	(10,704)
Net Cash (Used in) Investing Activities	(10,704)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Repurchase of common stock	(_15,000)
Net Cash (Used in) Financing Activities	(_15,000)
NET INCREASE IN CASH	41,641
CASH - JANUARY 1, 2004	123,729
CASH - DECEMBER 31, 2004	<u>\$165,370</u>
SUPPLENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION	
Cash paid during the year for:	
Interest	<u>\$44</u>
Income taxes	\$ 884

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN LIABILITIES SUBORDINATED TO CLAIMS OF CREDITORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2004	<u>\$ -0</u> -
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2004	¢ _∩.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2004

NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Company in the preparation of these financial statements.

TRANSACTIONS

Security transactions are recorded on a settlement date basis, generally the third business day following the transaction date, unless the difference between settlement and trade date is significant to the Company's financial statements.

INVENTORY VALUATION

Securities are stated at market value and the resultant gain or loss is reflected in the Statement of Income.

FIXED ASSETS

Depreciation has been provided primarily by the use of the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the assets.

Maintenance and repair costs are changed to operations as incurred; renewals and betterments are charged to the appropriate asset account.

On retirement or sale of property, the respective property accounts are reduced by the cost of the property retired or sold, accumulated depreciation thereon is eliminated, and the resulting profits and losses are credited or charged to operations.

NOTE 2 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Company's future minimum lease commitments under real estate leases are as follows:

Year Ended

December 31, 2005 108,760 December 31, 2006 27,657

The Company has no other commitments or contingent liabilities, nor any off-balance sheet risk.

Counsel for the Company advised that there is no litigation of a material nature pending against the Company.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2004

NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE

The carrying amounts reflected in the balance sheet for cash, receivables and securities approximated their respective fair values.

NOTE 4 - NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

As a registered municipal securities broker and member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., the Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commissions Uniform Net Capital Rule which requires that the Company maintain net capital, as defined of 6 2/3% of aggregate indebtedness; or \$5,000, whichever is greater. At December 31, 2004 the Company had a net capital of \$505,123 which exceeded the requirements by \$469,643.

NOTE 5 - USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 6 - CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

The Company and its subsidiaries are engaged in various trading and brokerage activities in which counterparties primarily include broker-dealers, banks and other financial institutions. In the event counterparties do not fulfill their obligations, the Company may be exposed to risk. The risk of default depends on the credit worthiness of the counterparty or issuer of the instrument. It is the Company's policy to review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counterparty.

COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		\$523,798
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY QUALIFIED FOR NET CAPITAL		\$523,798
DEDUCTIONS OR CHARGES	•	
Non-allowable assets		
Net book value of fixed assets	\$15,675	
Other assets	3,000	
Total Non-Allowable Assets		18,675
NET CAPITAL BEFORE HAIRCUTS ON SECURITIES POSITIONS		505,123
HAIRCUTS		0
NET CAPITAL		<u>\$505,123</u>

COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIRED - 6 2/3% OF TOTAL AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS	<u>\$ 35,480</u>
MINIMUM DOLLAR NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT OF REPORTING DEALER	\$ 5,000
NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT	<u>\$ 35,480</u>
EXCESS NET CAPITAL (Net capital less net capital requirement)	<u>\$469,643</u>
EXCESS NET CAPITAL AT 1,000% (Net capital less 10% of aggregate indebtedness)	<u>\$451,930</u>

\$505,123

BENSON YORK GROUP, INC.

RECONCILIATION OF AUDITED NET CAPITAL WITH UNAUDITED NET CAPITAL AS OF DECEMBER31, 2004

NET CAPITAL PER UNAUDITED FORM X-17A-5	•	\$552,288
Additional expenses per audit		(_47,165)

NET CAPITAL PER AUDITED FORM X-17A-5

COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

TOTAL AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS LIABILITIES

Accounts payable, accrued expenses and taxes	\$524,933
Loans payable	7,000
TOTAL AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS	<u>\$531,933</u>
PERCENTAGE OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL	105.31%

COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKERS AND DEALERS PURSUANT TO RULE 15C3-3 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, in that the Company's activities are limited to those set forth in the conditions for exemption appearing in paragraph (k)(2)(ii) of the Rule.

Louis Sternbach & Company, LLP

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Directors Benson York Group, Inc.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements and supplemental schedules of Benson York Group, Inc. (the Company), for the year ended December 31, 2004, we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the consolidated financial statements and not to provide assurance on internal control.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under rule 17a(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons
- 2. Recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13
- 3. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material aspects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2004 to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, the SEC, NASD and other regulatory agencies that rely on rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jouis Flunboch & 6, U.P.
Certified Public Accountants

February 18, 2005 New York, New York